



Arkansas has a colored bar association.

The A. M. E. General Conference in 1904 goes to Chicago.

The labor unions in Danbury, Conn., have opened their doors to colored men. A good move.

Gautemala has an American Negro millionaire in the person of John Knight formerly a slave in Alabama.

Rev. J. Harvey Anderson suggests Rev. O. O. W. Smith, ex-minister to Liberia, as Zion's Bishop of Africa.

Two million dollars has been set aside by the Louisiana Legislature to establish a colored asylum at Alexandria.

In the colored public schools of Atlanta, out of 54 teachers, 39 received their education in Atlanta University.

The strikes in various parts of the Nation should redound to the colored man's benefit provided he act wisely and industriously.

The next meeting of our Lott Carey Foreign Mission Convention to be held in Washington, D. C., from September 3 to 7, at Liberty Baptist Church, Dr. I. Toliver, pastor, will be the most important meeting in the history of the organization.

General O. O. Howard, Federal general in the Civil War, is deeply interested in the establishment of a school for the mountain whites of Tennessee. He was the founder of Howard University, Washington, D. C., which has done so much good for our people.

Mr. Thomas L. Martin, an industrious colored man of Lewisburg, Ky., has invented an ingenious educational device for the teaching of writing, grammar and arithmetic, which is meeting with general favor. He is planning to have them manufactured upon a large scale.

At the first of the "Composers' Nights" in the Harrogate Spa Concert room, Leeds, England, Mr. Coleridge-Taylor appeared to conduct a program, consisting chiefly of his own compositions. It was a severe ordeal for any composer, but the young man sustained himself with marked credit.

Ferry Chesney, the oldest man in Tennessee, is dead at his home on the summit of Cooper Ridge at the age of 126 years. Chesney was born in Virginia on July 4, 1776, and, as a slave, belonged to Jonathan Jackson at Clarksville on the Roanoke river. When twelve years old he saw George Washington.

Miss Louise Van Horne, daughter of Consul Van Horn, of St. Thomas, D. W. I., has the distinction of being the first colored teacher to be appointed in the public schools of Newport, R. I. She has had several years' experience and was appointed to the first vacancy after her application was filed.

Mrs. J. Silone-Yates has been elected teacher of English at the Lincoln Institute, of Jefferson City, Mo., instead of Miss Anna Jones, who declined the appointment. Mrs. Yates is thoroughly qualified to fill the station. She has had much experience along educational lines and her worth and learning adds dignity to her position.

Bishop J. B. Small, A. M., D. D., bishop of the A. M. E. Zion church, set sail for Africa on Saturday, June 21, on the steamer Rhyndland of the International Navigation Line going out of Philadelphia to Liverpool. Bishop Small took with him Mr. William Hockman, a native of Cape Coast, West Africa, who has been in training for the African work at Livingstone College for the past four years.

The Institute for Colored Youth at

Philadelphia, will be closed for the ensuing year. In the meantime the plans for reorganization will be perfected and new buildings erected. Prof. H. M. Brown, the new principal, will go abroad to study the educational methods and systems of the best technical schools, and will retain for a season the directorship of the High and Training School at Baltimore.

Mme. Helene Noble, of New York, has opened a summer school for the instruction of the French system of corset making and dress-cutting and fitting. She is a graduate of L'Ecole Professionnelle de Madame A. Gene, de Paris, and served two years in the dress making establishment of Mme. Prince, in Paris. She was also with Mme. Leotry, whose corset establishment is one of the largest and best in the French capital.

The Teachers' College (pedagogical department) of Howard University was organized in 1900 with Prof. L. B. Moore as dean. The definite aim of the courses is to prepare young women to take charge of kindergartens and to conduct them in accord with the highest educational standards. The department has been doing an excellent work along this line and is preparing for more elaborate efforts next year.

William Still, a noted Afro-American died a few days ago at his home in Philadelphia. Before the war he assisted thousands of slaves to secure their freedom by escaping to the free States. He published a book called "The Underground Railroad," and it had a tremendous sale. The book told of the means used to help his race to escape from the South. Deceased was eighty years of age and was worth nearly a million dollars at his death.

## City Brevities.

Garnett Wilkinson is in California.

The True Reformers are organizing a band.

Mrs. R. S. Rives is ill in North Carolina.

This is Norfolk night among the "real people."

The Grand Army Encampment comes on apace.

Mrs. T. M. Nixon is visiting in Cleveland, Ohio.

Miss Julia R. Bush is rustivating at Boyd's Tavern, Md.

Miss Nettie Langston is to visit friends in Pittsburgh.

Mrs. R. B. Peters and daughter Ruth are at Fortress Monroe.

Miss Mattie R. Bowen will be a delegate to the Atlanta Congress.

Mr. Waverly D. Green has the agency for a new style of fountain pen.

Mr. W. T. Menard is the guest of Editor Fortune at Red Bank, N. J.

Mrs. Mary Church Terrell lectured to a large audience this week in Illinois.

Mr. W. H. Conn has been appointed superintendent of the "Marborough" apartment house.

Prof. Booker T. Washington spent a few hours in the city Tuesday of last week.

Miss Rosa B. Childs has been visiting in Baltimore, where she was the recipient of much social attention.

Ground has been broken for the new building of the True Reformers at corner of Twelfth and U streets.

Mrs. T. J. Calloway and children are at home from a lengthy visit to Tuskegee and other southern points.

Mrs. L. R. Clarke leaves on another southern tour shortly, which will include a visit to the Atlanta Congress.

It is definitely decided that Prof. John T. Layton will remain as director of the choir of Metropolitan A. M. E. Church.

Every available inch of space in the Capital Savings Bank building is taken up by enterprising business men of our race.

Mr. W. A. Hunton was in town last week in the interest of the Atlanta Con-

gress, and received much encouragement.

Company B, First Separate Battalion, is booked for a grand excursion to Norfolk August 16th, on the palatial Jane Moseley.

Dr. W. Bruce Evans came up from Hampton a few days ago to attend the annual encampment of the District National Guard.

Dr. S. Roger Watts goes to Switzerland this fall as the representative of the Grand Lodge of Masons of this jurisdiction. He is a splendid man.

Lieut. Toomey's friends are planning to "star" him in an entertainment this fall, in which he will give a number of readings from his own poems.

Get ready for the meeting of the National Negro Business League at Richmond August 25, 26 and 27. A local business league has been finally organized and delegates were chosen.

Mrs. Lottie E. Wilson, the accomplished artist, gave an exhibition of her paintings in Baltimore last Saturday and Monday for the benefit of the Provident Hospital. She will organize a class there for instruction on Saturdays.

Mrs. Edna McNabb has abandoned her suit for divorce from Harry McNabb and will ask to have the marriage set aside on the score of being under age at the time of the ceremony, and duress, by reason of threats against her life.

Mrs. Mary Church Terrell, our peerless platform orator, has returned from a sojourn of several weeks in Massachusetts, whither she went for the benefit of the health of little Miss Phyllis. Mrs. Terrell is preparing a new lecture for the fall and winter season, and has already contracted for a number of very desirable engagements in the Y. M. C. A. circuits.

## 'Native Washingtonians.'

The "Native Washingtonians," a new social organization, has issued invitations to the public to be present at their first annual outing, which will take place Monday, August 4, at Lake View Park. The organization is made up of a hundred or more of the city's representative people, and is designed to cement into closer social relationship those who are "unto the manor born," so to speak. The Board of Governors includes: Dr. Jas. T. Walker, president; Miss Amelia Barnes, vice-president; Miss Amelia Cusberd, second vice-president; Miss Lulu Pollen, recording secretary; Miss Eleanor Robinson, corresponding secretary; Dr. Clarence Gray, financial secretary; Mrs. Bertie Lewis, treasurer, together with Dr. J. H. Johnson, as chairman Entertainment Committee; Prof. J. D. Baltimore, as chairman Reception Committee; Mrs. Katie Harris, as chairman Membership Committee, and Mr. Jerome A. Johnson, as chairman Invitation Committee.

## Treasury Department Promotion

In the drawing of promotion prizes for the new fiscal year, the colored employees in the Treasury Department fared quite well. The list as far as we could ascertain, includes the following "raises":

James F. Alston, Pennsylvania, \$1,200 to \$1,400; J. C. Norwood, North Carolina, \$1,400 to \$1,600; Miss Wilhelmina B. Tate, Indiana, \$840 to \$900; Misses Emma R. Tolliver, Fannie E. Tolliver, Hallie B. Williams, \$470 to \$500.

Appointment—Miss Mary Sewall, District of Columbia.

Promotion—Thomas H. R. Clarke, \$720 to \$900, detailed as private secretary to Register of Treasury.

## DELIGHTED WITH OUR STORY.

New Orleans, La.—I was so well pleased after reading your issue of the 18th with your article on the life history of Prof. Booker T. Washington, of Tuskegee Institute, that I wired you for one hundred copies. Our schools and universities are just about having their commencement exercises, and I thought it would be a good idea for each young man to have a copy of this issue as they go forth into the battle of life. I think Professor Washington's life will be a beautiful story for them, as no man of our race is doing more for the welfare and upbuilding of his people. His life's good work should be read in our schools, as none is more worthy of emulation. I have just received the sad

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